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Minutes of the House Standing Committee
On
Oversight and Ethics

Thursday, September 17, 2015 10:30 a.m. Room 326 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Oversight and Ethics was called to order by Representative Ed McBroom, Chair.

The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives McBroom, Howrylak, Graves, Theis, Robinson, and Pagan. (6/6)**

The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

The Chair laid before the committee the minutes of July 15, 2015 as printed.

Representative Graves moved to adopt the minutes of July 15, 2015 as printed.
There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; the minutes were adopted as printed.

The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 4713.

HB 4713 (McBroom) Criminal procedure; other; default standard for mens rea in criminal statutes; establish.

The Chair, the bill sponsor, explained the bill, and asked Hassan Beydoun, Majority Legal Counsel and Senior Policy Advisor, to further expound on the legal language of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Wendy Block, Director of Health Policy and Human Resources for the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, submitted a testimony card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Michael J. Reitz, Executive Vice President of the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, testified in support of the bill. Questions followed. Handout is attached.

Shelli Weisberg, Legislative Director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan, testified in support of the bill.

Russell Coleman, representing U.S. Justice Action Network, testified in support of the bill. Questions followed. Handouts is attached.

There being no other business before the committee; **Representative Howrylak moved to adjourn the meeting.**

The motion prevailed, the time being 11:20 a.m.

The Chair declared the Committee adjourned.

Ed McBroom, Chair
House Standing Committee on Oversight and Ethics

Joy Brewer, Committee Clerk

Date approved by the committee